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UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES

January 31, 2013

A legislative meeting of the Utah State Board of Education was held January 31, 2013 at the Utah State Office of Education, 250 East 500 South, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Chair Debra Roberts conducted. The meeting commenced at 12:00 p.m.

Board Members present:

Chair Debra G. Roberts
Vice Chair David L. Crandall
Member Dixie L. Allen
Member Laura Belnap (non-voting)
Member Kim R. Burningham
Member Leslie B. Castle

Member Barbara W. Corry
Member Michael Jensen
Member Jennifer A. Johnson
Member C. Mark Openshaw
Member Tami W. Pyfer

Members participating electronically:

Member Keith M. Buswell

Executive staff present:

Martell Menlove, State Superintendent
Brenda Hales, Deputy Superintendent
Judy Park, Associate Superintendent

Bruce Williams, Associate Superintendent
Lorraine Austin, Board Secretary

Presentation from Legislator

Senator Howard Stephenson was welcomed to the meeting. He expressed appreciation to Board members for attendance at meetings of the Education Appropriations Subcommittee.

He reported that he has met with teachers, parents, and others to discuss a bill he will be running for a pilot program called the student-centered learning model.

He also discussed a bill he is considering that would freeze the dependent exemption value. It would not create a tax increase, but would generate several millions each year toward the school fund. He is also working with Senator Osmond regarding school equalization.

The Senator informed the Board that legislators will be invited to schools to see dual immersion programs and new technologies. He will Board members to be there as well.

Budget Priorities

Superintendent Martell Menlove reviewed the Board's budget priorities and a budget-related issues sheet from the Public Education Appropriations Committee, and made some suggestions for changes to the Board's priorities.

Motion was made by Member Tami Pyfer and seconded by Member Dixie Allen that under Ongoing #1, \$200,000 for Other Initiatives be removed from the College and Career Readiness item, making the total \$800,000.

Motion carried.

Motion was made by Member Mark Openshaw and seconded by Member Jennifer Johnson that under Ongoing #9, Dual Language Immersion, the number be changed from \$240,000 to \$800,000.

Motion carried.

Legislation

Superintendent Menlove reviewed education-related legislation.

Motion was made by Member Dixie Allen and seconded by Member Kim Burningham that the Board support HB 267 *State School Board Elections*.

Substitute motion was made by Member Tami Pyfer and seconded by Member Michael Jensen that the Board support both HB 267 and HB 59 *School Board Election Provisions*.

Substitute motion failed for lack of eight votes, with Members Allen, Burningham, Buswell, Corry, Jensen and Pyfer in favor, and Members Castle, Crandall, Johnson and Openshaw opposed.

Motion failed, with Members Allen, Burningham, Buswell, Corry, Jensen and Pyfer in favor, and Members Castle, Crandall, Johnson and Openshaw opposed.

Motion was made by Member Dixie Allen and seconded by Member Barbara Corry that the Board oppose SB 39 *Parental Responsibility for Sex Education Training* because funding isn't attached and it falls outside the purview of the Board.

Motion carried; Member Johnson opposed.

Motion was made by Member Kim Burningham and seconded by Member Tami Pyfer that the Board support HB 55 *Amendments Related to Funding*.

Motion was made by Member Jennifer Johnson and seconded by Member Tami Pyfer that this item be tabled until after Senator Briscoe has had a chance to talk with the Board.

Motion to table carried.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Member Dixie Allen and seconded by Member Jennifer Johnson that the meeting adjourn.

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.